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COMPLETE SPECIFICATION

**Improvements in or relating to Holders for Sheets, Cards,
Licences and the like.**

I, MATJASZ ZELL, a British Subject, of Wren Grove, Preston Old Road, Blackpool, in the County of Lancaster, do hereby declare the invention, for which I pray that a patent may be granted to me, and the method by which it is to be performed, to be particularly described in and by the following statement:—

This invention is for improvement in or relating to holders for sheets, cards and the like. One particular application of the invention is to holders for motor vehicle licences or the like which require to be mounted on, for example, a vehicle so as to be readily visible.

One object of the present invention is to provide a licence holder which is easily removed from or replaced on, for example, the windscreen of a motor vehicle. A further object of the invention is to provide a licence or like holder which does not require any extraneous adhesive or other means for attaching it to a vehicle windscreen, window or the like and which can therefore be easily removed without soiling the windscreen and subsequently replaced as required.

According to the present invention there is provided a holder for a sheet, card, licence or the like which is required to be displayed, comprising a piece of highly polished, thin, flexible polyvinyl chloride or like sheet material in the form of a frame for the sheet, card, licence or the like through which the latter is exposed to view, one or more tongues projecting inwardly from the frame so as to overlie the edge or edges of the sheet, card, licence or the like and hold it in the frame. Highly polished, thin, flexible-sheet polyvinyl chloride or like material (hereinafter referred to as P.V.C.) has the property of adhering automatically to highly polished surfaces such as, for example, a

glass windscreen or window without the necessity of using any extraneous adhesive. It is possible to apply a piece of this sheet material to, and remove it from, a highly polished surface, such as a sheet of glass, very many times.

A specific embodiment of the invention will now be described, by way of example and with reference to the accompanying drawing, as applied to a holder for the well known form of a circular licence which is required to be exposed to view on a motor vehicle. On the drawing:—

Figure 1 is a front perspective view of the licence holder;

Figure 2 is a rear perspective view and shows the licence holder applied to the rear of a sheet of glass such as a motor vehicle windscreen;

Figure 3 is a front perspective view of the licence holder mounted on, for example, a motor vehicle windscreen; and

Figure 4 shows how a device similar to that shown in Figure 1 can be mounted on the front of a sheet of glass, e.g. a shop window and used to display matter (e.g. advertising matter) other than a licence.

Referring to Figure 1, the holder comprises a ring or circular frame 10 of thin, highly polished and very flexible polyvinyl chloride sheet and a circular disc 11 of the same material and having the same diameter and shape as the external diameter and form of the frame or ring 10. The latter is applied to the disc in correct register therewith and the two pieces of material 10 and 11, due to their natural adhesive properties, adhere securely one to the other. Projecting readily inwards from the inner circumferential edge of the frame or ring are four equally spaced small tabs or tongues 12. These tongues are formed integrally with the frame or ring 10 when the latter is stamped or cut to shape. There

may of course be more or less than four of these tongues or tabs.

A circular licence 18 is secured in the holder by inserting it in the frame or ring 10 so that the inwardly projecting tabs or tongues 12 lie over the periphery of the licence. The holder, together with the licence, can then be attached to the inside or outside of a motor car windscreen (e.g. as shown in Figures 2 and 8) merely by pressing it thereagainst. The natural adhesiveness of the P.V.C. sheet will cause it to adhere firmly to the glass. At the same time the holder can be stripped off the glass when required e.g. for the insertion of a new licence. It will be appreciated that when the holder is attached to the inside of a windscreen, so as to expose the licence to view through such windscreen, the licence will be totally enclosed between the holder and the glass of the windscreen.

The licence may be inserted in the holder simply by temporarily flexing back the tongues or tabs or the two parts 10 and 11 of the holder may be temporarily separated one from the other.

To facilitate separation of the two parts 10 and 11 the disc 11 may have a small recess cut in it as indicated at 14 in Figure 2. This exposes a small portion of the front ring 10 which can be easily gripped between finger and thumb. Both parts of the holder need not necessarily be of flexible P.V.C. One part may, for example, be of highly polished celluloid or more P.V.C. or polished metal or glass.

Whilst the invention has been described more particularly as applied to a licence holder it will be understood that it may have other applications and in fact it can be applied anywhere where it is desired to hold something (e.g. a price ticket) in a frame to be mounted in a readily removable manner on a polished surface. For instance, Figure 4 shows how a sign mounted in a holder similar to that described with refer-

ence to Figure 1 can be temporarily attached to the front of a glass door or window.

What I claim is:—

1. A holder for a sheet, card, licence or the like which is required to be displayed, comprising a piece of highly polished, thin, flexible polyvinyl chloride or like sheet material in the form of a frame for the sheet, card, licence or the like through which the latter is exposed to view, one or more tongues projecting inwardly from the frame so as to overlie the edge or edges of the sheet, card, licence or the like and hold it in the frame.

2. A holder for a sheet, card, licence or the like which is required to be displayed, comprising a disc or sheet and a frame both having highly polished surfaces and either or both being made of thin, flexible polyvinyl chloride or like sheet whereby when the frame is applied to the disc or sheet it will adhere thereto, one or more tongues projecting inwardly from the frame so as to overlie the edge or edges of the sheet, card, licence or the like and hold it in the frame.

3. A holder as claimed in Claim 2 wherein the frame is a circular ring of the same or approximately the same diameter as the disc and the one is applied to the other in register.

4. A holder as claimed in Claim 2 or Claim 3 wherein a recess is cut in the disc or sheet of polyvinyl chloride or like material so as to expose a portion of the frame which portion may be used as a finger and thumb grip for stripping the frame from the disc or sheet.

5. A holder for a sheet, card, licence or the like substantially as herein described with reference to the accompanying drawings.

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PROVISIONAL SPECIFICATION.

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This invention is for improvements in or relating to holders for sheets, cards and the like and is particularly concerned with holders for motor vehicle licences or the

like which require to be mounted on, for example, a vehicle so as to be readily visible.

One object of the present invention is to provide a licence holder which is easily removed from or replaced on, for example, the windscreen of a motor vehicle. A further object of the invention is to provide a licence holder which does not require any extraneous adhesive or other means for attaching it to a vehicle windscreen and can

therefore be easily removed without soiling the windscreen and subsequently replaced as required.

According to the present invention there is provided a holder for a sheet, card, licence or the like which is required to be displayed, comprising a disc or sheet of material having self-adhesive properties and in the form of a frame for the sheet, card, licence or the like through which the latter is exposed to view, means being provided for retaining the sheet, card, licence or the like in the frame. A preferred material for making the licence holder is highly polished, thin, flexible-sheet polyvinyl chloride hereinafter referred to as P.V.C. This sheet material when highly polished and flexible has the property of adhering automatically to highly polished surfaces such as, for example, a glass windscreen, without the necessity of using an extraneous adhesive. It is possible to apply a piece of this sheet material to and remove it from a highly polished surface, such as a sheet of glass, very many times. Conveniently the licence or the like is held in the P.V.C. frame by a number of spaced-apart inwardly projecting small tabs or tongues which overlie the periphery or edge of the licence or the like.

One specific embodiment of the invention will now be described as applied to a holder in the well known form of circular licence which is required to be exposed to view on a motor vehicle.

The holder comprises a ring or circular frame of thin highly polished and very flexible P.V.C. sheet and a circular disc of the same material and having the same diameter and shape as the external diameter and form of the frame or ring. The latter is applied to the disc in correct register therewith and the two pieces of material due to their natural adhesive properties adhere securely one to the other. Projecting radially inwards from the inner circumferential edge of the frame or ring are

four equally spaced small tabs or tongues. These tongues are formed integrally with the frame or ring when the latter is stamped or cut to shape. There may of course be more or less than four of these tongues or tabs.

The circular licence is secured in the holder by inserting it in the frame or ring so that the inwardly projecting tabs or tongues lie over the periphery of the licence.

The holder together with the licence can then be attached to the inside or outside of a motor car windscreen merely by pressing it thereagainst. The natural adhesiveness of the P.V.C. sheet will cause it to adhere firmly to the glass. At the same time the holder can be stripped off the glass when required e.g. for the insertion of a new licence. It will be appreciated that when the holder is attached to the inside of a windscreen, so as to expose the licence to view through such windscreen, the licence will be totally enclosed between the holder and the glass of the windscreen.

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